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August Belmont on the Cincinnati Nominations—Tone of the New York City Press.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The Democratic leaders in New York are seriously studying what course they shall pursue toward the Cincinnati nominations, and the pressure to adopt them, and make Greeley also the Democratic standard-bearer, is developing unexpected strength. A reporter has questioned August Belmont since his return from the West. Belmont talked of the situation very cautiously, but remarked to the reporter that "half a loaf is better than no bread. The reporter asked, "Do you mean by that observation that there is a probability of the Democratic Convention accepting the Cincinnati platform and candidates?" Belmont replied, "I can't tell. This is now but a bombshell. We must wait until we see its effect on the people, on the people, and, in fact, on many things it must develop. I go further. It may be policy to adopt the ticket. Greeley, in my opinion, will run well in the Southern States; but, as I said before, it is too soon to judge yet. I will do most anything to beat this Administration; not that I have anything against Grant, but I do not like his form of Government. The Philadelphia Convention must meet yet, and then the Democratic party will have to show its strength. My opinion is that the Liberal ticket will be withdrawn in September if the Democrats make a good nomination. In the meantime I judge that it is best for the party to say or do nothing. That is better. What we would say now would probably be turned against us when the nominations are made."

Ben Wood and Fernando Wood, who were in favor of Judge Davis, are out without reserve in favor of accepting the Greeley ticket, saying it is reported on Judge Davis' advice. In the Sunday News to-day Ben Wood has a double-headed editorial, headed, "Horace Greeley for President." The article contains the following remarks: "The Cincinnati Convention acted wisely and well in nominating Horace Greeley for President, and we are decidedly of opinion that the Democratic National Convention ought to indorse the nomination, and that with such indorsement Greeley will be surely elected. There is no man in all the North who is a single-handed contest can poll as many votes in the South as he, and it must be borne in mind that no opposition to Grant can be elected unless he gets a large majority of the Southern electoral votes. We believe that Horace Greeley will get nine-tenths of them, and that he may get every one if there shall subsequently in American politics, the experience is made that the best is simply not to be had, and, then, there remains for us than to accept the comparatively better."

Voorhees' Advice to the Democracy.

TERRA HAUTE, Ind., May 5.—The following tele-gram from Mr. Voorhees is furnished by Agent of the Associated Press by the Editor of the Terre Haute *Journal*:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.

"To the Editor of the Journal:

"The Democrats will meet as usual in National Convention, and proceed to its authorized delinquent to nominate its candidates and declare its policy. Until then no man has the right to commit the party to its views. Its organization and principles should be maintained at all hazards.

(Signed) "D. W. VOORHEES."

The Current Swelling.

TIFFINVILLE, Pa., May 5.—The *Courier*, Democratic organ, comes out strongly for Greeley for President, and says: "We can get to make sure of it a cry in favor of an Administration which has become a stench in the nostrils of a great majority of the American people."

Miscellaneous.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 5.—The Conservative press of South Carolina heartily indorse the Cincinnati ticket and platform as eminently acceptable to the South.

BALTIMORE, May 5.—The *Gazette* urges the Democratic National Committee to select Baltimore as the scene of meeting of the National Convention, and say, in such an event a building of magnitude proper for the occasion will be erected.

Grant Congressmen and the Liberal Republican Ticket—The Sober Second Thought.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Now that two days have elapsed since the nominations were made at Cincinnati, and people have had time to recover from the surprise and excitement occasioned by the announcement of the action of the Convention, the views of public men and of experienced politicians begin to have some value as indications of the drift of opinions. Even in two short days there are important changes to note, and new phases of opinion expressed that are worth chronicling and not the least important is, that few people can now be found outside of the White House who laugh at the Cincinnati ticket. There they are said to be quite jolly over it, from the President down to the door-keeper, and the President is reported to have declared that no nomination could have been made which would have implied him so little, and that it is a month the whole affair would be forgotten, and that the body would admit that he had gone to Cincinnati. The Administration supporters in the Senate and House have ceased to talk of the action of the Convention as a capital joke or an absurd fiasco. They are as solemn as owls, and when they refer to the matter at all, which is not often, it is in such terms as these: "A dangerous nomination," "formidable movement," "sure to split the party," "looks as if we were going to the devil," and like phrases, uttered in dismal tones to each other. The most melancholy man in the Senate on Saturday was Conkling, who was not seen to smile once during the whole day, except while reading the news of the disaffection of a portion of the Cincinnati Liberals. Friends of Conkling say that he takes a gloomy view of the situation, and anticipates nothing but political ruin to himself as the result of the Liberal movement. The President's more hopeful view is understood to be owing to his belief that the Democrats will not touch the Cincinnati ticket, but will nominate candidates of their own, and that, in consequence, Greeley and Brown will disappear from the field, leaving him a square fight to make with the Democrats, with the Republican party at his back, as solid as it was in 1868. Few of the politicians of either party take this view to-day. Most Administration men say that the Greeley movement will have gained such an impetus by the time the Democratic Convention is held that, if it is not indorsed by that Convention, it will be impossible to switch it on to the Grant track. One of two things, they argue, will happen: Either the movement will finish completely in a fizzle, of which, they admit, there is little probability, or it will have gained such a numerous and determined following before the Democratic Convention meets, that it will no longer be a faction, but a great party not to be transferred to Grant to avert the danger of the election of a Democrat. Strange to say, there is already some talk of abandoning Grant and nominating some other man at Philadelphia, as a course which there is just a remote possibility may be necessary to do to save the party, and it is whispered about that, if matters come to this pass, Colfax would be the man to pacify the troubled elements and bring back the dissatisfied Liberals. Nothing so well shows the strength of the Liberal ticket as these suggestions of the possible necessity of throwing Grant overboard which one hears before most of the men who were at Cincinnati have had time to get back to their homes. The Democrats are much more circumspect in their utterances than they were when the news of Greeley's success was received. It is seldom that one can be found to declare positively that the Democratic Convention will not indorse the Cincinnati ticket; but even on Friday, there were members who were outspoken in this opinion. Almost all now express a willingness to support Greeley if their Convention decides to take him up. There is, however, a belief generally entertained that his nomination has increased the chances of success for a Democratic candidate if it shall be thought judicious to put one into the field. It is admitted, however, by leading Democrats that there are strong reasons for not nominating a Democrat, chiefly Greeley's great popularity in the South, and the certainty of his carrying New York and Pennsylvania. The Liberal Republicans are entirely satisfied with the nominations, and their confidence in the strength of the ticket has hourly increased from the moment it was announced. This confidence is derived not only from comparison of views among themselves and from the responses that have come from the country, but from the obvious alarm of the Administration men.

Liberal Republicanism in the Rock River Valley.

DIXON, Ill., May 4.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of Liberal Republicans and Democrats was held in this city to-night. Colonel John Dement called the meeting to order, and nominated G. Weimer, Esq., as Chairman, and Sherwood Dixon was selected Secretary. The meeting was addressed by Colonel John Dement, Hon. John V. Eustace, Geo. L. Schuler, Esq., and Mr. J. D. Beardman. All the speakers concurred in the opinion that, while the nomination of Horace Greeley was not what they had hoped for, and not as well suited for this section of the country as some other might have been, yet it is probably the strongest that could have been made, under the circumstances; it is not only unexceptionable for the Democracy to nominate a candidate, but foolish, that the redemption of the country from the hands of the plunderers and violators of law who now have control of it is of more consequence than the maintenance of party organization; that the overwhelming sentiments of the honest men of all parties in favor of the Cincinnati nominees, by which means only can the Grant Republicans be defeated.

The reference of the tariff question to the Congressional districts is looked upon as a well-timed step toward a speedy restoration of each of the three branches of the Government to its original power and authority. The speakers were interrupted with frequent and loud applause and their sentiments meeting with enthusiastic approval. Democrats and Liberals.

DIXON, Ill., May 5.—The old fires are rekindled in the Rock River Valley. We had a glorious Greeley meeting last night at Union Hall, amid the firing of cannon and bands of music. Union Hall was crowded, standing room being at a premium. Gustavus Weimer, Esq., was elected Chairman, and Sherwood Dixon, Secretary. The speakers were Colonel John Dement, Judge John V. Eustace, General George L. Schuler, and John D. Beardman, *et al.*, all of the *Telegraph* and *Herald*, and now United States Police or Revs. The Cincinnati platform was enthusiastically received, and delegates were made dropping all old party ties and associations, and uniting on Greeley and Brown. Depend upon it that the tidal waves are for the Liberal Republican movement.

The New York Sun Indorses the Cincinnati Nominations.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, May 5.—The *Sun* in the morning takes more decided ground in support of Greeley. It warns the Democrats that not to accept the Liberal Republican ticket will result in their defeat, and advises the Philadelphia Convention to indorse Greeley if they desire the Republican party to be defeated.

St. Louis Papers out for Greeley and Brown.

ST. LOUIS, May 5.—The *Times* of this city says: "We shall support Greeley and Brown cheerfully by labeling the Democratic ticket, and especially by the Democratic National Convention, because, first, we believe they can be elected; second, if they are not elected, they will free us forever from a semi-military despotism like that of Grant's; third, because both are able and honest men; fourth, because there is no prospect of doing much better, and great danger that we might do much worse; fifth, because if elected, the Democratic party will have a fair chance to be entrusted out by incumbent as well known to the Grant party. We predict that not only will the Democratic party indorse the ticket, but that their National Convention without dissent or division, but that it will acquire new and unexpected strength, and finally be ratified by the largest popular and Electoral vote given to any candidate since 1860."

The *Republican*, the organ of Senator Schurz, announces to-day its support of the Greeley-Brown ticket in the following words: "After mature deliberation we believe which was left here with regard to the Democratic National Convention, it is not only inexpedient for the Democracy to nominate a candidate, but folly; that the re-election

THE COMING COMET.

Will It Strike the Earth?—Opinion of Professor Donati.

Florence, Italy (March 8), Correspondence of the New York Evening Post.

The name of Professor G. B. Donati is known and honored by the scientists of every land. The great astronomer who almost the first person sought for by the gifted and accomplished Emperor of Brazil during the recent visit of that sovereign to this city, and no surprise whatever was excited by this distinguished mark of attention. Besides being thoroughly versed in all that relates to the nature and movements of the heavenly bodies, he is probably the greatest living cometographer. Hence the very important paper which he has just issued from the Royal Observatory of Florence,—published in *La Nazione* of the 4th instant,—will attract the attention of the entire scientific world. The paper in question was contributed at the earnest solicitation of the editors of the journal just named, and so great is its importance and authority that it has already been copied by other newspapers. The following is the text of the document as published in *La Nazione*:

"Many journals have lately given currency to the statement that within five years a comet would actually strike the earth. Suddenly the five years are reduced to five months, and, indeed, it is now said that the collision will take place in the coming August. It is moreover asserted that some astronomer has already seen this terrible comet, that it is of an extraordinary size and truly fearful!

"Is there any truth in all these rumors?

"This question having been directed to me from many different sources, I consider it expedient to make a public reply.

"That some astronomer has lately seen a large comet is entirely false. No comets, neither large nor small, are visible at the present time. It is probable, however, that some may also appear; and it would be a rare occurrence if such should not do so. The time since any such have been seen, and inasmuch as certain dispositions which have recently been made would render it possible to make investigations of a character entirely new.

"Meanwhile, it may be remarked that no comet can forsooth appear from nowhere or will not appear, if we do not consider those which already have appeared at various times, and of which the courses are known with certainty.

"Of these known or periodical comets, are there any which should appear at an early date?

"This is the question which astronomers may be asked, and to which they can reply by virtue of the data which science affords them.

"Among the periodical comets hitherto known, there is one called the comet of Biela, from the name of its discoverer) which completes its circuit round the sun in six years and nearly two-thirds, since, and which, indeed, is due in August next.

"But can the comet of Biela strike the earth?

"It is a fact that when this comet, moving in space, passes from the north to the austral hemisphere it encounters the orbit of the earth—that is to say, if we suppose all comets to move in the plane of the circuit round the sun, or, in other terms, the comet of Biela and the earth travel different ways, but these two ways are such that they cross each other at a certain place.

"If, therefore, at this place, the comet and the earth were to pass contemporaneously, a collision would necessarily be occasioned. Hitherto, however, the comet of Biela and the earth have passed the point in question at very different periods, and, hence, have encountered each other.

"But, may that which has not previously occurred happen at any future day?

"Just as two persons may meet who, intent upon their own affairs, are accustomed to traverse different streets in a city, so the earth and the comet of Biela, though each traverses a course quite different from that of the other, may also, some time or other, encounter. But, in any case, this cannot take place in our time, and much less during the present year, since, from the calculations that we have already made, its results that in 1872 the comet of Biela will still keep at a great distance from the earth. The comet will traverse the terrestrial orbit in the 295th day of the year; but, on that day, the earth will be distant from the comet almost half as much again as it is distant from the sun; that is to say, the distance between the earth and the comet will be, on that day, more than 110,000,000 geographical miles; and in the preceding and succeeding days the distance will be greatly augmented. On the 28th of November the earth will pass that point by which, on the 26th of August, the comet will have passed—which latter will, at that time be greatly distant from the said point. There is really, therefore, no imminent peril that the comet of Biela will strike the earth.

"But, if not the comet of Biela, will it be possible for any other comet to strike the earth? And, if so, what will be the consequence?

"These questions have been much discussed. Without dwelling at length upon the subject, we will say that this case is not absolutely impossible, since (relating simply to the scientific reason) a comet and the earth may not encounter each other at a certain point in space, but this case is so remote that it may be said to be the possible of the impossibles. The comets, moreover, have masses so small that even if one of them were to approach within a short distance of the earth, the latter would, perhaps, have nothing to fear, and, in all probability, in such an event, the comet would become a satellite, that is, a moon, of the earth.

"And here I will remark that the comet of Biela is very small, and that it cannot be seen without the aid of a telescope.

"As, this year, it is generally said that a comet will encounter our planet during the coming August, so also in 1832 the rumor was circulated that the comet of Biela, soon to time visible by means of the telescope, would strike the earth. And, notwithstanding that the astronomers at that period addnced reasons similar to those now for which I have already referred to demonstrate the falsity of this belief, nevertheless, inasmuch as the public believed (and perhaps still believes) that it is impossible to determine the distances of the heavenly bodies from the earth, very little reliance was placed upon the assurances of these scientific authorities; and the general panic was not dissipated until it was actually recognized that the collision had not taken place, and that, whether for good or for evil, the affairs of this lower world continued to advance as before.

"But, in the present day, there is still another reason, and one which perhaps will prove more satisfactory than those which have already been urged.

"This is nothing less than the very great probability that the comet of Biela no longer exists.

"That which I have above observed, relative to the distance which, during the present year, would separate the comet from the earth, I have advanced upon the hypothesis that the comet still exists, and that it continues to advance in the course which it has followed up to 1852. Nevertheless, since 1853 the comet has not been seen.

"That the comet in question would reappear every six years and nine months, *circa*, was recognized in 1826, when the astronomer Biela discovered it; and it was known, also, as that time that it had been observed regularly in 1772 and 1806. From 1826 to 1852, the comet was observed regularly in all its successive reappearances with the exception of that of 1845, a year in which its position in such close proximity to the sun that the brilliancy of the latter prevented it from being seen,—precisely on the same principle that we do not see the stars during the day, though they may, nevertheless, be upon our horizon.

"The failure to see the comet of Biela in 1839 was attributed, therefore, to its proximity to the sun. This circumstance, however, was not renewed in the succeeding reappearance of 1846, in which year the comet was observed from several of the observatories of both hemispheres. In 1846 the comet of Biela presented a most extraordinary phenomenon. Instead of appearing single, as was the case in all preceding appearances, it appeared double; that is, composed of two parts, each distant from the other. The computations based upon the observations that were made at that time demonstrate that the distance between those two constituent parts of the comet was equal to 39 times the terrestrial radius, or to about 134,000 geographical miles. In 1852 the comet was again one, and, indeed, it was seen; but the distance between the two parts of which it was composed had increased to 2,000 radii, while in 1846 the distance was, as we have said, 39 terrestrial radii, in 1852 it had increased to 349 of those radii, or to about 1,200,000 geographical miles.

"In 1859 the comet should again have approached the earth, again have become visible—unless, during that year, the circumstances of 1839 were renewed; unless the comet were to occupy a position so very near to that of the sun as to render observations extremely difficult.

"In fact, in 1859 the comet was not seen, and the astronomers said that this was because it was immersed in the solar rays; but in 1866 it should have reappeared, and in a position so distant from that of the sun that it would have been visible during the night. Nevertheless, that year it was impossible to discover it, even with the aid of the most powerful telescopes.

"What, therefore, has become of the comet? Has it vanished, or has it changed its course?

"That comets may dissipate themselves has already been supposed by Kepler, who said that, as the silk-worm consumes itself while it spins its cocoon, some comets may consume themselves and die while generating, or spinning, their long, interminable tails. Nor is the comet of Biela the only one that has failed to reappear when due; there is still another, discovered by Professor De Vico at Rome in 1846, which, according to the computations, should return every five and a half years, but which has never since been seen. Moreover, the comet of De Vico was very much larger than the comet of Biela; and, unlike the latter, it had never appeared double or broken.

"But what can become of the comets when they disappear?

Newton thought that the comets either ...ly upon the sun, or diffused their ...ugh celestial space, thus serving to give aliment to the sun, and also to the planets.

"Nor is this hypothesis of Newton altogether devoid of reason; since, though I have hitherto sustained that the chances that the comet of Biela may encounter the earth is very remote, I say now that it is quite possible that the material of the comet has already fallen in part, and is still falling, upon our planet. Although that which may now may appear in opposition to that which I have said above, this opposition, nevertheless, does not exist, as I will prove.

"The comet of Biela should move constantly in its orbit round the sun so long as it retains only under the dominion of the solar attractive force; but if, in addition to that force, other forces act, it is quite likely that the comet may change its course, and cease to move regularly.

"Press studies recently made by many celebrated Professors, and especially by Professor Schiaparelli, who, on this account, has worthily obtained, this year, the gold medal of the Astronomical Society of London,—it results that the comets, so to speak, the elder sisters of those corpuscules that generate the so-called *stelle cadenti* (falling stars).

"These latter are not really stars, but rather very small opaque bodies, the which are found disseminated and vagrant through the infinite space of the universe, and which, when they are near the earth, are attracted by it, and fall towards it, and, in traversing our atmosphere with extraordinary velocity, they become ignited, and dissolve, in consequence of the very great friction or resistance they encounter.

"These small bodies that produce the phenomenon of the falling stars are, like the fixed stars, disseminated through space; and, in fact, not an evening passes during which, attentively observing the sky for a certain time, some falling star may not be seen; but, precisely as the fixed stars form here and there various constellations, from which the largest that we can discover is the Milky Way, so also these cometic corpuscles form here and there agglomerations, and from this it is that the falling stars appear sometimes in very large and sometimes in small numbers.

"It is, for example, demonstrated that, on the 10th of August of this 19th of November, many falling stars are seen, because the said corpuscles, moving round the sun in two great troops, form two principal bracelets of ... days above mentioned the earth, by ... and the latter, by its attractive force subtracting many of those corpuscles from the solar action, draws them toward itself. Now, the Professor Schiaparelli has demonstrated that there are several comets which move round the sun in the same bodies in those bracelets in the which also move the corpuscles that generate the falling stars. And the Professor D'Arrest has noted that on the 5th of November are seen every year falling stars that depart or irradiate from that part of the celestial dome in which would appear the comet of Biela if, early in December, it were to be found in the neighborhood of the earth.

"It seems, therefore, indubitable that the comet of Biela also forms part of a bracelet of comet-ic corpuscles which move round the sun, and that the said comet is none other than the largest of the said corpuscles. But, if this be true, the comet should suffer a mechanical action from those corpuscles in the midst of which it finds itself, and this action may indeed have produced the breaking in two parts that was observed in 1846 and in 1852. Since the latter date, it is quite possible that many other bodings other than that taken place, so that the comet may have been reduced to fragments, each so small as not to be visible, except as a falling star, when, early in December, the earth approaches the bracelet in which those fragments move. This, therefore, is why I said above that perhaps the material of the comet of Biela has already fallen upon the earth in part, and that, possibly, it may still be falling.

"But in all this there is really nothing that can justify apprehension, since the corpuscles that, while burning, appear as falling stars, usually consume themselves in the most elevated regions of the atmosphere, and it is only very rarely that, under the form of those bodies which are called meteors, they arrive as far as the surface of the earth.

"My supposition that the comet of Biela may have been divided into many of those corpuscles that generate the falling stars will acquire a still greater degree of probability if, during the coming August, the astronomers fail to discover that comet, as they failed in 1866.

"I have written what appears above relative to the comet of Biela, for the reason that I have been able to find no other circumstance or astronomical index that can in any degree justify the fears which have been diffused, to the effect that a comet will strike the earth during the coming August. But perhaps this general belief is derived from reasons in no way astronomical, and error insinuates itself and diffuses itself more easily than the truth. S. W. H."

THE FARM AND GARDEN.

A Valuable Township—The Non-Inclosure System, and How It Affects a New Settlement—The Philo Farmers' Club—Management of the Orchard—Size and Age of Trees—After-Culture—Objections to Pruning the Inside of the Head of the Apple Tree—Theories vs. Fact—The Grape—Remedy for the Striped Bug—The Weather.

From Our Agricultural Correspondent.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 6.

The town of Philo, in Champaign County, was settled by people from New England, New York, and Ohio. Every acre of the township is prairie, and every acre arable land. It is one of the most valuable townships of land in that richest of prairie counties, that is located in the great Corn Zone of the West, Champaign County.

From the first settlement of the township, no domestic animals have been allowed to run at large, and hence the farmers of that town have been saved an immense outlay in the cost of fences, and yet to-day there are more miles of good hedges in the town than in any other two towns of the county.

One of the first things to be done on a new farm, was to fence in a pasture for such animals as the farmer chose to keep. The grain-fields required no fencing, and the outlying prairie could be used in common for hay and for herding. The tedium of this labor is shown in the better general thrift of the farms, the abundant orchards, the large gardens, and the many well-planted lawns. People have called this a lazy settlement, and charged it not to make further inquiry in regard to the reason for success: but the truth lies in its

NON-INCLOSURE SYSTEM,

a system that should tell to impress on all the new settlements that are stretching westward toward the Rocky Mountains.

Under this system, there is no hindrance to hedging, and hedging can be cheaply made; and then it is so easy to plant a shelter-belt along the outline of the farm, for there are no stock running at large to destroy the trees; while small orchards may be planted along the highways, and cultivated for some years. I have in mind a row of maples that were planted on a roadside. The ground was broken and the strips planted in potatoes, and the maple trees, four feet high, planted in the soil thus prepared, and cultivated some years. The trees now stand in a thick turf of blue grass, are more than a foot in diameter, and yield each spring over two buckets of sap to the tree for syrup, which is a very good thing to have in a family.

Vast tracts of land are now on sale along the lines of roads leading west of the Mississippi, and those lands will be settled rapidly; but much will depend on their substantial progress as regards the economy of fencing. Philo is not the only instance of the non-inclosure system, but it is one that has been intelligently and perseveringly improved. Stray animals from adjoining townships always drifted into the pound, out of which they came with fines and pound-fees, and thus the farmers of those adjoining towns learned to respect this Yankee settlement and its thrift, and some of them came and had to adopt the same system for they saw that it led to good neighborship, and added to the pleasure of the homestead. There has been little done in the way of selling out,—that mania that is the curse of all new countries, for it tends to make shifts in the way of improvements. "I shall not plant an orchard: I shall not lay out a town, and break the expense of evergreens and shrubs; for I don't mean to stay, as I intend to sell out." But the farmers of Philo are making homes for themselves,—not mere places to stay, but homes surrounded with many comforts; homes where trees, and shrubs, and plants are cared for for their fruit, their shade, their shelter from cold winds, and their fragrance, as their beauty. Then Philo has its schools, its lyceums, and its

FARMERS' CLUB.

All of which are well attended. No town in the county sends so much grain to market; no farms have better stocks of pigs. Then you can get plenty of butter and live beef-cattle in Philo, for their animals are not dependent on stalk-fields, the lee sides of fences, or the frozen ground for their thrift, but plenty of food and good shelter from the elements weather.

The members of the Club purchase, through their Secretary, their agricultural implements, nursery-stock, and orchard-seeds. They pay cash, and thus buy cheap, which is also an advantage to the dealer and the manufacturers. Pedlers have a hard time in Philo. At the weekly meetings of the Club, and the large number of THE TRIBUNE and agricultural papers taken by its members, throw so much light on their transactions that their calling is no way in demand.

Last week, I attended the weekly meeting of the Club. The subject for consideration was, first, the distribution of a basket of seeds sent them by Commissioner Watts; and, secondly, to consider the

MANAGEMENT OF THE ORCHARD.

The seeds were directed, mainly in full packages, in order for a more thorough test; but most of them came too late in the season to be of much value.

The apple-orchard was the: considered, as it is first in importance. In looking through an apple-orchard, if many of the trees are of upright growth, or what is technically called a Antigista form, like the Northern Spy, the Sweet Jones, or Benoni, we need not expect a large crop, as the best-bearing varieties have round or rather spreading heads, as the Greening, Ben Davis, or Leonard. Hence, in selecting trees in the nursery we should avoid those varieties with very upright growth; for, while those forms give little fruit, they are the delight of the nurserymen and the tree-peddlers, on account of their fine appearance and close packing qualities. This is a new point in the doctrine of Pomology, and may be laid down as follows: No apple-tree is a good bearer that is of a fastigiate form. The fruit may be superior, but it will not prove a profitable variety for the commercial orchard.

SIZE AND AGE OF TREES.

The books all recommend small trees, say two to three years old; but in practice, a tree six years old, with a good head, and from an inch to an inch and a half in diameter at the collar, is a better size,—seventy-five to a hundred of which will fill a wagon-box to its utmost capacity. I am aware that this is not orthodox, but the Philo Farmers' Club think it is, and, as I have great respect for its opinion, I shall take up in the latter. That trees of this size may be safely transplanted, the evidence is on almost every farm in the township. But the heads of these must be cut back, only simply pruned to a good form, and the extra branches not required cut out; but so do not cut back or shorten in a single shoot. This may be called a matter of taste, but if it has been thoroughly tested hereabouts, and is now preached with the utmost confidence in its correctness.

The members of this Farmers' Club are men of books, but they are also men of intelligence and research, and of course wedded to no hobby. With them no doctrines in regard to planting matters are too sacred for the hoty to elude investigation.

The planting of small trees is a good thing for the nurseryman and the tree-peddler, but a bad thing for the farmer who wants apples. Let Smith plant an orchard of a hundred trees. He first decides on the list of varieties; of a few early apples, both sweet and sour, but mostly of the latter; a few autumn apples,—making one-third for summer and autumn, and the remaining two-thirds for winter. With this list, he goes to the nursery, and takes up the large-sized trees, one to be trimmed by cutting in dependent branches, but we need no thinning of the trees. The heads might be thinned to give more vigor to the remaining branches. If the tree required it, or if the farmer would not cut away the fruit-bearing wood in the process. It is facts—broad, stubborn facts—that these members of the Farmers' Clubs are after. The theorists have told us that the prairie is no place for an orchard, and that we must follow the teachings of Knight, Von Mons, and other great authors,—men of genius, who spent half a life-time in inventing a theory, and the remainder in looking through Nature to sustain it, but with the hands of stock is pillowed, mulched, and the rabbits seldom gnaw trees of this size. June the banking is leveled down, and a good mulching of manure is put in its place. The trees make a firm growth, notwithstanding that the tops have not been reduced to correspond to the shortening of the roots. I suspect the fact is that the reserved branches of the tree, with its foliage, possesses the ability to supply new roots: and that these, in return, aid the tree in its new condition. The Club could at least point to hundreds of instances where trees thus treated are now the best orchards, and had grown beyond all anticipation. Of course, such large trees cannot be shipped and handled by tree-peddlers, and they don't like to, of course, these gentry will say Pooh! and swear that it is all nonsense. But, in order to have good orchards, it is not absolutely necessary that we employ any of these gentry at all.

The Club engage their trees at the nursery at a discount from retail rates, and each member goes and makes his selection in person, and pays the cash at the time; so both buyer and seller are satisfied, for no middleman can come between them, with a 35 per cent commission.

In the after culture of the trees, the furrows are turned towards the rows, the plowing being done in the direction of the drainage, thus leaving a dead furrow midway between the rows, to receive the surplus water from melting snow or rains before the ground is thawed, or from heavy rains during the growing season. A hoed crop, such as corn, potatoes, beets, or vines, or a crop of buckwheat is very proper; but the small grains, like timothy and clover, and those cut for hay or for soiling, provided that the surface is top-dressed with barnyard manure, in order to supply the waste of plant-food.

After a tree is well grown and full bearing, all that is demanded of the saw and shears is to keep down the sprouts from the collar of the trees, and to cut away such branches as interfere with the team of the mower; that is, to keep the trees in good form; but no inside thinning is required, for such thinning only serves to fill the head of the tree with water-sprouts. In case of a too full setting of fruit, shake part of it off, but do not cut away the leaves and branches, under the plea of thinning the fruit. Great harm is done young orchards, for the thinning always takes out the bearing wood, for the reason that it appears less thrifty than shoots that contain leaf-buds only. A fruit bud is but a leaf-bud modified, and, if one will look into the head of young bearing trees, he will soon ascertain that the bearing branches have a less thrifty appearance and are a shade lighter in color. Many cases might be cited where farmers, under the false idea that the head of an apple-tree must be thinned out, have cut out all the bearing wood, and thus robbed themselves of the much coveted fruit. I have before stated that, the Club are not scientific farmers, but to be a thinner by cutting is dependent branches but we need no thinning of the trees. The heads might be thinned to give more vigor to the remaining branches if the tree required it, or if the farmer would not cut away the fruit-bearing wood in the process. It is facts—broad, stubborn facts—that these members of the Farmers' Clubs are after. The theorists have told us that the prairie is no place for an orchard, and that we must follow the teachings of Knight, Von Mons, and other great authors,—men of genius, who spent half a life-time in inventing a theory, and the remainder in looking through Nature to sustain it, but with the hands of practical farmers, and in direct opposition to the invention or theories. It is, therefore, no wonder that so many practical farmers treat lightly the man who says that farming is simply an art, and can lay no claim to science; they know that Nature is true to herself, and that the same conditions yield the same result; and that it is not a matter of taste, but a matter of fact, that has to do with crops.

THE GRAPE.

In the summer management of the grape, it was held that pinching off the leaves resulted in injury; that, as the grape produced fruit only on the canes of the last year's growth, we might cut away all the previous growth, not, however, disturbing the base of the canes, or laterals, that are reserved for fruiting; and, if we had too much fruit to set, that the fruit, not the leaves, be thinned out. This plan of managing the apple-orchard, and the vineyard will save a vast amount of what we are pleased to call skilled labor, but really what we might properly term skilled theory, to which labor is wastefully applied.

THE STRIPED BUG.

The season for this pest of the garden is near at hand, and we begin the regular annual inquiry. What shall we do to save our vines. Mr. G. Cowing of Muncie, Ind., in a note inclosing a dollar for a year's paper, says: "If the striped bug threatens to destroy your plants, make a solution of hen-manure, or fresh cow-droppings, and pour over the plants. It is an infallible remedy, as I have proved for the past fifteen years." I have used this remedy, but have not always found it infallible; but Mr. C. lays some stress on the word pour, and it may be that a more liberal drenching would succeed much better than the usual mild application. Mr. C. has had a long experience, and is a successful cultivator. An effectual remedy for this striped depredator will please the boys and girls, who take delight in saving a good patch of melons. In case a moderate application fails, try the pouring process. If that fails, go at them by hand,—for you cannot afford to lose your plants, that have been treated to liquid manure,—and you will find it pay, even if no bugs come near your vines.

THE WEATHER.

The weather continues cool, and the evaporation from the surface is limited, and, though the soil is apparently dry, all seeds are coming up and making good growth. This shows that there are other conditions than plenty of rain that makes up the value of the season. It is not so much the quantity of rain as in the time of falling and surrounding conditions.

The soil is in a very pulverulent condition, produced by the dry season, and hence great complaint of the non-germination of peas. April closed, or rather May came in, with a rainy morning, followed by great coolness, with a northwest wind. There is little thunder, for the reason that the atmosphere is charged with electric fluid, and this is also a good omen for crops. The orchard, at the writing, is one sheet of bloom. Give the promise of an abundant crop of fruit. Farmers are now planting corn, and are taking great pains in the preparation of the soil, and putting the seed in shallow. The system of check-rowing is now considered indispensable in the culture of this crop. Our people who plant sorghum put in the seed as soon as the frost is out of the ground, as the cold does not injury to the plant. Broom corn is also planted early,—that is, the first planting, as it is planted at intervals, in order to have a succession for the harvest. The first planting is just coming up.

Twenty-five-cent corn has brought the farmer down to a pretty rigid economy, and the luxuries are neglected for the present; but no one thinks of failure, and business, though dull, is on a safe cash foundation.

RURAL.

What a Sightless Man Does.

A Pennsylvania paper, the *Republikaner von Berks*, has the following notice of a remarkable blind old man: "Mr. Jacob Hartman, a resident of Tenth street, Reading, has attained the ripe age of 90 years. He has been blind for eighty-seven years; kept tavern forty-five years, four miles north of Reading, in the house known as the 'Blinde Hartmans's Wirthshaus.' He was his own barkeeper, was so expert in the handling of money that any attempt to cheat him was futile. He has a tobacco monopoly. When he was three years old, he lost his father's eyesight, and prior to his eye, which led to his total blindness. He was so well acquainted with the neighborhood that he could point with his finger to any of the houses. He is the father of ten children, of whom seven are living. He could perambulate all through Reading without assistance. He has individually gone to the office of the *Republikaner von Berks* and paid his subscription regularly. He is also a mechanic, having repeatedly taken his clock apart and put it together, and tuned and repaired musical instruments."

Death of Tarsia—The Last of the Cannibals.

From the San Francisco Call, April 24.

Tarsia, who has just died at Upper Thames, was one of the last of the old cannibals, and was the last who perpetrated cannibalism in New Zealand, after the colonization of the country, and after the founding of the city of Auckland. He with his tribe routed the Tauranga people, and killed great numbers, bringing away a large quantity of human flesh, which he first took to Kawarenga, as the place situated about the present site of Shortland. Here the war party, landed, and, after relieving their feelings by indulging in a war dance, they replenished their stomachs (as soon as the hostile party would) with a portion of their once live cargo. After sticking several heads on the highest poles of the pa fence, they once more embarked in their canoes and steered for Te Parn, which was then a large settlement of Tarsia's tribe. A basket of the flesh was sent as a present to Te Horeta (commonly known to Europeans as Thomas), but this chief declined to accept it, saying that he had given up such dark practices. Tarsia was from his youngest days famed as a warrior, and was looked upon as equal to maintain his standing as such to the last.

Reported Discovery of a Submerged City Near St. Augustine.

From the St Augustine (Fla.) Press.

During the heavy gales which prevailed last fall, and when the water was driven down so low in the North River, that a remarkable discovery was made. About seven miles north of St. Augustine, on the west shore of North River, the remains of an ancient city were disclosed. Several walls walled in with coquinas, are now visible, under water; but the foundations of the houses can be only felt with a pole. On the occasion of the discovery, a gale had prevailed for four or five days, from the north—driving a large body of water out of the extent never before known. Further investigations have also brought to light a coquina quarry, on the same site; and what is the most remarkable, the quarry is in the midst of a dense hammock, and which any one can see now by taking the trouble to go there. The rock is of a quality equal to any on Anastasia Island, and has been extensively used, doubtless, for the purpose of building this city or settlement—for one or the other it certainly was.

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BANK STATEMENTS.

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In the State of Illinois, at the close of business, on April 19, 1872.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts		$918,852.21
Overdrafts		4,425.82
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		500,000.00
Other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages		50,000.00
Due from Redeeming and Reserve Agents		238,992.04
Due from other National Banks		67,488.53
Due from other Banks and Bankers		1,907.79
Furniture and Fixtures		2,000.00
Current expenses		1,111.04
Premiums		80,725.69
Cash Items (including stamps)	1,808.40	
Exchanges for Clearing House	57,211.00	
Bills of other National Banks	20,000.00	
Fractional Currency (including nickels)	1,251.52	
Legal Tender Notes	150,000.00	230,270.92
		$2,034,266.05

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock		$500,000.00
Exchange	1,607.53	
Interest	27,111.04	
Profit and Loss	14,952.76	44,475.27
Circulation		445,000.00
Individual Deposits	1,025,979.29	
Certified Checks	5,791.47	1,031,770.76
		$2,034,266.03

State of Illinois, County of Cook, City of Chicago, ss. I, Orson Smith, Cashier of the Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ORSON SMITH, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 2d day of May, 1872.

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THE CINCINNATI CONVENTION.

The Nominee.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Mr. Greeley has not been in the city. It is reported he will remain at his home in Chappaqua till the nomination has been formally accepted, to avoid making indiscreet remarks which might be called out by the well-meant congratulations of friends.

The *Tribune* says: "We do not feel at liberty to print the personal telegrams received last evening from Mr. Greeley, but we may be permitted to say briefly that a powerful protest, indicating a hearty acquiescence in support of the nomination made yesterday at Cincinnati, but our readers will accept our thanks."

The *Times* says: "There have been many rumors afloat as to what course Mr. Greeley's friends intended to pursue in the event of his nomination, as referred to in the *Tribune*, the most important of which is that he will resign its editorship and his stock, and withdraw from the paper. The tyranny which is that his candidacy would be an embarrassment to the action of the paper as to deprive it of its usefulness in the Presidential contest."

The Response.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The *Herald* welcomes Greeley into the campaign as a man whom the American people will always respect and honor. It says: "Whether we shall support or oppose him will be decided by himself."

The *World* (Democratic) will reserve its judgment until the meeting of the Democratic National Convention, which is called next week by the National Committee, meeting in this city. The *World* recognizes an early date for the assembling of the Democratic party, and adds: "The candidates who had been accidentally suggested for the Democratic party. Greeley can receive no such indorsement, nor has he any reason to expect such support. The Convention has chosen to nominate a man most hated and conspicuous opponent of the Democratic party in this country. Called for Reform, it has selected the most foreign of Protectionists. This leaves the Democratic party entirely free to await the developments of the immediate future, and opens the way for a possible Democratic victory."

The *Journal of Commerce* (Democratic) thinks the nomination of Greeley—who cannot expect Democratic indorsement—compels the regular Republican Convention to indorse him, or throw the election into the hands of their opponents.

The *Evening Post* (Republican) opposes the nominations and platform of The Cincinnati Convention in condemning that of Greeley lacks the courage of firmness, and consistency required in a Chief Magistrate. His political associations and intimacies are sad. He is a bigoted Protectionist, left, and his manners are gross. It says Greeley can have no hope of an election, and if he runs at all it will only divide the Republican vote, leaving the field to the Democrats, who, should they have sense enough, as many of them already urge, to put up even a ticket as Adams and Grosbeck, will fill it far more worthily.

The *Telegram* supports the nominations enthusiastically.

The *Staats Zeitung* (Democratic) says Greeley and Brown are good men, and liked by both Americans and Germans in this country, but think, if Mr. Adams had been nominated, they would have been better satisfied. The *Zeitung* avoids saying who it will support, though it concedes that all other candidate is very strong. They will defer any declaration until after the Germans have held meetings and decided the question, which will be done next month.

The *Sunday News*, Ben Wood's paper, will to-morrow retain a reader strongly indorsing the Cincinnati support that Greeley has received.

REBELLA, N. Y., May 4.—The Liberal Republicans of this place are firing one hundred guns over the result of the Cincinnati Convention.

MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, May 4.—The *Republican* (Democratic) considers the Cincinnati nominations eminently acceptable, and satisfactory. The ticket, it says, stamps the Convention with success and imparts to the insurgent cause new force.

The *Times* (Democratic) says: "We are inclined to think the Cincinnati Convention has done its work well. It certainly acted wisely in placing Greeley at the head of the ticket, instead of Mr. Adams. It can be said of him with truth and justice that no public man in the Republican party has served by the interests of the southern people since the war more boldly and consistently, and no public man could have been named to more largely divide the Radical party, or strike terror to the friends of Grant. The ticket receives additional strength. Moreover, in the West, especially by the nomination of Governor Brown in the Presidency, and it was wise, under the circumstances, that he withdrew his claim to the high place, although to Democrats *pur sang* he would have been a more acceptable choice, if a Republican candidate is to be their choice. Altogether, the Convention has agreeably surprised both friends and foes of the movement, who felt seriously apprehensive lest it should not rise nearly to the dignity and requirements of the occasion. In these respects it has achieved its work more satisfactorily than many of our Democratic friends were disposed to anticipate."

The *Anzeiger*, (German Democratic), which was a strong supporter, however, of the Liberal movement, emphatically declares against Greeley and Brown.

MICHIGAN.

DETROIT, May 4.—The *Free Press* (Democratic) says Greeley is a strong man with whom to decoralize the Republican party, and his candidacy will probably result in the defeat of Grant's nomination. It considers the chances of the Democracy largely increased, and nothing necessary to secure it but a strong nomination and platform.

The *Post* (Administration) ridicules Greeley's nomination, and says it will not injure the Republican party in the least, while it will render the Democratic cause not only hopeless.

The *Tribune* (Independent Republican), says the nomination will meet with the favor of the liberal movement saw, with regret, Greeley's nomination, and would regard his election as a public calamity, and he has no hesitation in entitled to Republican support in his present candidacy.

WISCONSIN.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MADISON, Wis., May 4.—Mr. Greeley's nomination for President at first seemed to excite mirth. Many Democrats proposed to wait for their ticket. The *Democrat*, however, edited by some progressive and liberal young Democrats, puts up Greeley and Brown as Reform candidates, and warmly indorses the ticket, though not its first choice. The *Journal*, (Administration) pretends to treat Greeley's nomination as a joke, and sharply reviews his career.

MASSACHUSETTS.

BOSTON, May 4.—The *rost*, the leading Democratic paper, speaking of the Cincinnati Convention, in its issue this morning, says it presents a most gratifying result, with which the people everywhere were in active sympathy, when it came to the application of its principles. All the more worthy few persons in their sober senses will deny that the selection of Horace Greeley, by an assembly so powerfully representative of popular sympathy, as a candidate for the Presidency, is a disappointment for which they were not prepared.

The *Herald*, (Administration), needs a leading editorial on the subject: "The Ridiculous Mine."

The *Journal*, (Administration), says: "The general opinion of Republicans is that Greeley is decidedly the best nominee whom the Cincinnati Convention could be selected for the benefit of the Republican party."

MAINE.

PORTLAND, May 4.—The *Eastern Argus* (Democratic) comes out fully for Horace Greeley as the People's candidate.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—The *Chronicle* and the *Republican*, both Administration papers, oppose the nomination of Greeley.

The *Intelligencer*, organ of the Democracy, speaks in complimentary terms of the Cincinnati ticket, and thinks it will carry off a large proportion of Republican votes. On Grant party it calls upon the National Democratic Committee to convene a Nat onal Convention, and says "in this duty will be found the means by which people such candidates as will command the respect and secure the support of the good and true men of the country. Indications are clear that the Democratic Convention will not ingorse Greeley.

ILLINOIS

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PEORIA, Ill., May 4.—The result at Cincinnati has completely surprised everyone around here. Nobody considered that Greeley stood a ghost of a chance. Trumbull or Davis were the favorites, both among Democrats and Liberal Republicans. There is a feeling among Democrats that a regular out-and-out Democratic ticket and platform should be put before the people. The daily press here are divided. The *Transcript* of course, is a strong Administration organ. The *National Democrat* has said nothing thus far.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 4.—The *Illinois State Register* (Democratic), of this state, raises the banner of Greeley and Brown and in a leading editorial heartily indorses the platform adopted by the Cincinnati Liberal Convention. The *Register* further says editorially: "We have confidence enough in the good sense of the Democracy to believe that it will yield the principle of liberal, earnest and successful support. The action of the Convention is eminently satisfactory to Democrats and Liberal Republicans, and the nomination of the ticket is great."

Governor Palmer says Greeley and Brown will receive 75,000 Republican votes in Illinois.

NEAR MONDAY, a large mass meeting of Liberal Republicans and Democrats will be held in this city.

TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 4.—The opposition to Grant's administration has been unexpectedly poken to-day in favor of Greeley. Liberal Republicans, Conservatives and Democrats almost unanimously favor the Cincinnati ticket and platform. Democratic Leading Democrats think Democratic Leading Democrats think Democratic Convention unnecessary, and say if it should meet, it should adopt the Cincinnati ticket to-morrow. The names of Greeley and Brown to-morrow.

The *Union and American* (Democratic) publishes this morning the letter of the five Governors in favor of Greeley and Brown. Its editorial expresses the opinion that the ticket would be received with favor by the people, and that it has been stronger with Democrats than any ticket heretofore presented. It says the ticket can speak kindly of Greeley, and the North-west if selected and will sweep the National Democracy, and seconded by the action depends solely upon its action. The Democracy. Whatever they shall do for the best to be done for the highest interests of the country, will be done cheerfully. They will preserve their organization intact, as a body. With the lights before them, he doubt that when the National Convention is assembled it will take such action as will result in the defeat of Grant and the election of the ticket presented at Cincinnati. As between Grant and Wilson, of Massachusetts, and Greeley and Brown, there can be no choice for the Democracy but one choice."

The *Banner* (Democratic) says the ticket cannot fail to command the respect of the American people, while from its truly national character, to say nothing of the truly national platform which was and is its superstructure, it is quite possessed irresistible strength and satisfy the Liberal sentiment of the whole country. The ticket is a strong one, notwithstanding the fact that the nomination was effected through agencies not altogether uncommon to nominating Conventions, smacking a little too much of political intriguing to be entirely in accord with the unselfish patriotism which inspired the Liberal movement and produced the Convention." It attributes the defeat of Adams to the influence of Frank Blair.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 4.—The nominations at the Cincinnati Convention are almost universally regarded as the strongest that could be made. The *Avalanche* and the *Appeal* unhesitatingly indorse the nominations, and will support the ticket.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—The *Morning Call* says the nomination of Greeley produces a decidedly amazing effect on political circles. The Democracy bestow the position of tickets of their own, while professing friendship to support Grant." The *Alta* says: "The platform is unexceptionable, but the nomination is such a surprise that it can form no idea, at present, of the effect upon the American people."

IOWA.

DES MOINES, May 4.—The *Register* (Administration) cannot decide whether the nomination of Greeley has been brought about by blind Liberals or mischievous Democrats.

The *Leader* (Democratic) considers the Cincinnati movement, which it has hitherto indorsed.

NORTH CAROLINA

NEW YORK, May 4.—*Republican* (Democratic) says: "The sentiment here is highly favorable to Greeley and Brown. The ticket will sweep the old North State like a whirlwind in November."

VIRGINIA.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The Richmond (Va.) *Enquirer* says: "The Cincinnati Convention has presented the strongest ticket in the country that could be presented. As Lookers-on in Venice, we may be permitted to express our opinion that Grant will discover this to be the hardest rock he has ever battled his way against. Greeley and Brown are both acceptable to the people of the South, and if they have to decide between this and another four years of Grant, and his bayonet rule there will not be much hesitancy which form of the dilemma they will take.

We think it probable, however, that the nominations will trickster the Philadelphia Convention into abandoning Grant, and we predict great efforts at a reconciliation of the two wings of the Republican party."

The *Whig* will probably support the ticket, whether there is a Democratic nomination or not.

OHIO.

CINCINNATI, May 4.—*The Commercial* warmly indorses the nominations made yesterday, while at the same time expressing the opinion that the nomination of Adams and Trumbull would have been more acceptable. It says: "We have no doubt of the immediate and hearty co-operation of the Democratic party in the Greeley movement. Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana, has, we understand, promised to go for Greeley, and will run for Governor of that State on the Cincinnati platform. His point, of course, is that he would thereby secure the United States Senate to succeed Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks. Hon. Allen G. Thurman declined last evening to declare himself for Greeley. The Democratic National Convention will be called, and will indorse the work of the Cincinnati Convention—ticket and platform."

The *Gazette* (Administration) says the convention of the movement. Greeley and Brown will rally the ticket, and asks, with some bitterness, "Will the Democrats sell themselves so cheaply?"

The *Inquirer* (Democrat) says: "The platform of the Convention is a splendid one, upon which every honest man and friend of reform and institutions can stand. Its adoption by acclamation was the death knell to the hopes of the friends of Grant's military despotism. They rallied themselves with the idea that the Convention would break up in a row over the latter question. They have in this experienced their first, but not their last disappointment. They hoped that the Convention would nominate a weak, shifty, and certainly not of strength. They hoped the Democracy would not rally to its support. We think they will be deceived. The Convention has done its work in such a way as to give a powerful impetus to every true friend of the platform, and proved themselves worthy representatives of the men and of the country when who. disagreed on many questions, are determined to unite to save the Government from being destroyed by military tyranny, or by the coarse of corruption, pervading every branch of the public service.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MANSFIELD, O., May 4.—The nomination of Mr. Greeley caused great surprise here among the anti-Grant Republicans. They had hoped for the success of Trumbull, and were quite elated at publishing progressed showing Adams the favorite. They would hardly believe the first announcement of the nomination of Greeley and Brown. Democrats seemed about as much bewildered by the result as the Republicans. They say but little, however, except that Greeley has many friends among the Democrats, and that there might be worse Presidents than he would make. There is some talk of Adams and Groesbeck for the Democrats under existing circumstances. The Grant Republicans think the Liberals are divided, and that Grant will have an easy time.

FOREIGN.

FRANCE.

PARIS, May 4.—The trial by court martial of Marshal Bazaine will be held in the riding school at Versailles, and will commence the latter part of April (?) and will probably last over a hundred days. Twelve hundred witnesses will be summoned. The Government will allow Marshal Bazaine to employ as counsel M. Sachaud, the well known advocate.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Several of the French Councils General voted resolutions in favor of compulsory primary instruction, and compulsory military services. Almost all adopted addresses of confidence in Thiers; many also expressed themselves favorable to a republican form of government.

The Russian Embassy dinner, recently given at the Embassy of the Tuileries, was attended by President Count Orloff, in the Czar's name, congratulated the President on the political effect produced by the Espel receptions. There was a splendid repast, followed by supper. Very many Legitimists and several Republicans were present, and there was much political conversation.

The report of the French Council of Inquiry into the capitulation of Sedan, which is just published, censures the Emperor Napoleon for ordering the capitulation without previously consulting his Generals. The report also blames General Wimpffen for his having taken the command from General Ducrot without having a settled plan, although it praises General Wimpffen for opposing capitulation.

SPAIN.

MADRID, May 4.—The *Gazette* (official) confirms the report that Don Carlos has reached Navarre and been joined by Rada, who, it was before stated, had been pursued into France by troops under General Rivers.

MADRID, May 4.—The rising of the Carlists on a large scale is expected to-day in Catalonia. The Government has distributed troops throughout the province to suppress whatever demonstration may be made. It is positively asserted by the partisans of Don Carlos that their leader has not left the Spanish territory, as reported, but is yet at some point in the Province of Navarre. The Government hopes that Colonel Marshal Serrano, with his troops, has come up with the principal Carlist band in Navarre, and the two forces now confront each other. An engagement is expected soon.

Con munication between this city and Bilboa, which was interrupted by the Carlist bands in the railroad bridges in the Province of Biscay, has been re-established.

The First Government troops encountered a Carlist band in the Province of Tarragona, and after a short conflict repulsed the Insurrectionists.

It is now said that Don Carlos entered Vera, a town in Navarre, on the Bedasoa River, which forms a part of the boundary between France and Spain, yesterday. His entry was greeted by the ringing of church bells and the cheering of the people.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, May 4.—The *times*, this morning, urges President Grant to send to the Geneva tribunal a communication which shall dispose of the original American case containing the claims for consequential damages.

The Atalanta crew are on daily on the Thames. The London papers continue to praise their practice.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The London *Telegraph* of yesterday says: In an editorial on American indirect claims, says: The Americans are no longer in doubt as to our resolve in the matter. The strength has with us reached its utmost limit, and no English Ministry would dream of surrendering the ground now taken up with the approval of the entire people and of the most enlightened minds in every nation, the American included.

QUEENSTOWN, May 4.—Arrived—steamers Nevada and Antwerp, from New York.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, May 4.—The *Eastern Budget* understands that the Austro-Hungarian Government has notified Versailles that Austria will in no case consent to an alteration of her commercial treaties with France.

DENMARK.

COPENHAGEN, May 4.—The police authorities have forbidden members of the International Society from holding a meeting here to-morrow.

HOLLAND.

LONDON, May 4.—The entire Dutch Cabinet has resigned, owing to the adverse vote in the States General on the question of income taxes.

WASHINGTON.

A MEETING CONSULTATION.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—There was a consultation to-day, at the State Department, between the President, Secretary Fish, Senator Sumner, Chairman of the Senate and House Committees on Foreign Relations (Democratic members not having been invited). Those who have been questioned on the subject of the conference say they do not feel at liberty to disclose it; the understanding being that their views should be secret. The conference is made, however, known an incidental remark of one of the members, that the Alabama claims were under consideration.

THE JAPS VISIT ANNAPOLIS.

The Japanese Ambassadors, accompanied by Secretary Robeson, Postmaster General Creswell, General Myers, Minister Mori and Governor Cook, together with a number of members of Congress and ladies, left here for Annapolis this morning on special train. On arriving there they immediately proceeded to the Naval Academy, and on entering the ground were received with the usual honors, parades and artillery practice by midshipmen cadets. The company were accompanied through the various buildings containing objects of interest, and in the afternoon were entertained with refreshments. They returned to Washington this evening. The Japanese express themselves highly delighted with what they saw and with the attention received from the officers in charge of the Academy, and were particularly pleased to learn that the Japanese midshipmen were progressing in their studies.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, May 4.

SENATE

On motion of Mr. SUMNER, the bill prohibiting distinction on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude in public schools of the District of Columbia, was taken up.

Mr. BAYARD spoke against the bill as unwise, unjust, and cruel; said predicted that, if passed it would react on the party which forced it on the people.

The bill then went over, and the Senate resumed consideration of the Post Office Appropriation bill. The pending question was on the amendment offered by Mr. WINDOM, on behalf of the Committee, increasing the subsidy for inland service with Brazil, and providing for semi-monthly mails between New York and Rio Janeiro, which was discussed without action until adjournment.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met as in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Reed in the Chair, and with thirty or forty members present. Several tariff speeches were read or filed for publication.

NEW YORK.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

NEW YORK, May 4.—During the past week the monetary situation has been generally easy at 6@7 per cent for call loans, with exceptions at 1-32, and also at 4 to 5 per cent. Foreign exchanges were a little weak at one time, but closed up strong, with every symptom of higher rates next week. Accounts from Europe report financial affairs somewhat unsettled, with general trading of speculations in London and on the Continent, especially in Germany. The Continent is hoarding gold, and the effect is reflected in the decrease of bullion in the Bank of England. As this continues the bank-rate will undoubtedly be advanced. These facts explain the firmness in foreign exchange and the rising tendency of gold. Gold declined about 1 per cent early in the week, but, at the close, recovered, and rose to the highest point of the present upward movement.

OUR FOREIGN TRADE.

Imports are this port are large again this week—over $16,000,000—while exports of produce continue on a limited scale. We are piling enormous indebtedness to Europe, without regard to settling day. Europe has ceased to take American securities to any extent, and many foreign bankers estimate that we will ship considerable specie in the early future.

ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE

there was further advance during the week in a few leading speculative shares, such as Pacific Mail, Panama, Rock Island, and Northern Union, but no marked advance in the general list. On the contrary, the general market, especially toward the close of the week, was heavy and lower. All indications favor the theory that the end of inflation on the Stock Exchange has been reached, and we shall next witness a general downward movement.

THE STOCK MARKET

to-day opened heavy and lower, generally by 1 per cent. It was dull throughout, closing firms on a very small business.

THE MONEY MARKET

was easier, to-day, at 4@5 on call.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

closed strong at 109½@109¾ for prime 60 days.

THE GOLD MARKET

was higher and more active at the close, with free sales at 113@113⅛.

GOVERNMENTS.

Bonds were strong and closed higher. Central Pacific bonds closed at 103@103; Union Pacific firsts, 99@99¾. Land grants, 81@83; Incomes, 87@87½.

Flour, wheat, and pork to day quiet and steady.

[To the Associated Press.]

NEW COTTON EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, May 4.—The opening of the new Cotton Exchange, at Beaver and Hanover square, took place to-day. Short and appropriate addresses, wishing success to the undertaking, were delivered.

PROCEEDINGS DISCONTINUED.

BANKRUPTCY proceedings against the Manhattan and Home Insurance companies, for failure to pay their Chicago losses, have been discontinued, a settlement having been arrived at.

WAGES TO BE RAISED.

Commissioner Van Nort promised a delegation of pipe-laying, to-day, in the employ of rock-men 24 cents, and of blasters 41 cents.

HONORS TO A COMPOSER.

The German steamship Cato, just arrived, to-day, in the steamer Rhein, German singing societies of this city serenade him, to-night, and have a torch-light procession in honor.

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

The doctor who made the first *post mortem* examination of the body of Dr. Gardner, who has been so mysteriously murdered and thrown into a cellar in Jersey City, declares that the deceased either fell or jumped down the cellar window, and, after striking the ground, fell into the cellar through an open doorway.

THE STOCK BOARD ROBBERY.

The Stock Board adjourned its 1 o'clock call session to-day, in consequence of the absence of Coleman Robinson, one of its members, who is charged with embezzlement. A Poughkeepsie (N. Y.) letter says that Mr. Robinson was thrown from his carriage, and had one leg broken, and the other badly crushed, and otherwise. He was engaged to be married to Miss Little, of Carmel, and sent for her to take care of him. She consented to the proposition, and the last named to overtake Carmel, were joined in wedlock. Next day he complained of being much worse, and in the evening he died. Mr. Robinson's property is said to the amount of a million and a half of dollars.

FIRES.

At Marshalltown, Iowa, $300,000—At Marshall, Mich., $100,000—At Plainfield, N. J., $100,000—Etc., Etc.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DELPHOS, Ohio, May 4.—The meeting of citizens held here, this afternoon, in front of the ruins on Canal street, to return thanks to the fire companies and citizens of Toledo, who were here promptly and nobly aid, also to C. E. Gorham, Superintendent of the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railway, for the special engine by which the engines were delivered here. Resolutions were passed to push the speedy completion of the Toledo, Delphos & Indianapolis Railroad, and notwithstanding the heavy losses the people of our city are sanguine and hopeful for the future. The total have sustained by the fire will reach $125,000, of which amount there is about one-third insurance. The losers have little or no insurance. Rebuilding will be commenced at once. The generous response of the citizens *en masse*. Rebuilding insurance companies adjust Monday. The individual losses cannot be given. The total number of buildings burned is 120, and many others are damaged. The ladies turned out in force and rendered great assistance in subduing the flames, and carrying goods from the fire to places of safety. The work on the buildings of the Ohio Wheel Company is progressing.

[To the Associated Press.]

DUBUQUE, Iowa, May 4—A Marshalltown, Iowa, special says: "The most destructive fire that ever occurred in Central Iowa took place about noon to day. It commenced in Stacey's elevator, and quickly communicated to the adjoining buildings, and, fanned by a high wind, at one time threatened the whole town. The entire southeast part of the city is in ruins. The loss runs up about $300,000. Five elevators, with a vast amount of grain in store, a number of small, two banks, lumber yards, the Northwestern depot, tanks and pump building, 6 stores and shops, and three dwelling houses were consumed. Cedar Rapids, Marion and Des Moines were telegraphed for aid, and promptly responded, but only the Grinnell company arrived, and the flames having been subdued the others were ordered back. The city is in a state of intense excitement, and the greatest fears are entertained for to-night."

JANESVILLE, Wis., May 4.—A despatch from Oshkosh, Wis., says: "A fire broke out at this place, which destroyed the Academy building, the Normal school building, and the shingle mill of L. B. Reed, which was entirely destroyed, together with nearly all the lumber in the yards. The loss is estimated at $15,000, with no insurance."

DETROIT, May 4.—H. J. Perrin's mills, at Marshall, Mich., have been burned. Loss over $100,000. Insured something over $30,000. Adams & Co.'s machine shop was also burned. Loss $5,000. Insurance $3,000.

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COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY EVENING, May 4.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour, grain, and produce for the past twenty-four hours:

	Received.		*Shipped.*	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, brls	6,995	5,222	4,535	2,400
Wheat, bu	8,700	19,386	18,112	60,320
Corn, bu	129,556	144,336	64,178	73,270
Oats, bu	39,516	58,757	11,200	2,700
Rye, bu	700	2,177	2,900	1,262
Barley, bu	9,350	334	11,766	1,200
Grass seed, lbs	44,500	12,300	46,700	.....
Flax seed, bu	38,000	24,000	.....	.....
Broom corn, lbs	5,000	800	.....	.....
Cured meats, lbs	86,380	18,631	645,660	85,130
Beef, brls	.....	14	310	.....
Pork, brls	422	9	189	61
Lard, lbs	38,600	63,700	310,130	43,710
Tallow, lbs	12,400	20,570	.....	12,600
Butter, lbs	28,264	34,685	11,780	10,800
Cheese, lbs	19,510	19,813	4,578	4,138
Eggs, brls	2,258	1,544	2,740	2,239
Hides, No	513	977	650	.....
Cattle, No	117,582	129,776	60,306	75,954
Hogs, No	437	207	309	401
Wool, lbs	71,804	364,415	82,790	49,270
Highwines, brls	7,540	1,160	168	1,504
Lumber, m	1,540	4,760	814	2,283
Shingles, m	1,180	66	2,000	1,815
Salt, brls	60	32	72	107
Salt, brls	.....	.....	1,439	.....

Withdrawn from store on Friday for city consumption, 2,543 bu wheat; 2,004 bu oats; 1,036 bu rye; 830 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store up to 10 o'clock this morning: 35 cars wheat; 173 cars and 28,500 bu corn; 20 cars oats; 5 cars rye; 2 cars barley. Total, (235 cars) 131,700 bu.

The following were the receipts and shipments of breadstuffs and live stock during the week ending this morning, and for corresponding weeks ending as dated:

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Corn, bu	748,773	626,673	635,389
Oats, bu	149,524	166,470	98,426
Rye, bu	3,200	4,280	6,228
Barley, bu	14,665	19,945	13,670
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Rye, bu	13,126	7,375	19,338
Barley, bu	31,121	30,932	16,278
Live hogs, No	43,347	44,092	19,213
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There was less doing in produce circles to-day, but grain was again higher all around, while provisions were dull. The receipts are increasing, while the shipments show a falling off; though wheat and barley are still being taken out faster than received. The markets were less active than they probably would have been but for the interest displayed in the result of the Cincinnati Convention. One of the delegates was surrounded on his entrance into the hall, and talk, and cheering, with a few Bisses, were the order of the day for some time, during which no trading was done.

Groceries were again quoted active to-day, but the general market was less buoyant, owing to the decline in freights. With the single exception of raisins, however, which were off 10c, there was no material "softening" in prices. Coffees were quoted firmer, in sympathy with an advance East. Other goods in the line ruled comparatively steady. The city goods trade was quiet, but active for country orders for the week, and former prices were being realized. The inquiry was chiefly for dress goods and the lighter woven cashs fabrics, though staples continued fairly active for the season. Sales were reported to-day of 1,000 cases at 19½c for 4-4 bleached sheetings; 1,000 cases at 16½c for 4-4 brown sheetings; 1,000 cases at 14½c for 4-4 do; 1,000 cases at 21½c for 4-4 bleached shirtings; 1,000 cases at 19c for 4-4 do

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WHAT REPUBLICANS MUST DECIDE.

It would be an insult to the intelligence of the American people to assume that any considerable portion of the Republicans of the United States, outside official circles, and office-expectants, are members of that party for any other cause than a devotion to its policy and principles. We have never had occasion to retract one word ever uttered in favor of those principles and that policy. We do not understand that any Republican taking part in the Liberal movement has the least regret for what he has done in the past, or proposes to have any cause of dissatisfaction with Republicanism. On the contrary, the Cincinnati Convention had its origin in the purpose to preserve the Republican party and its political principles intact, and to place beyond all controversy the past action of the party, as the settled constitutional policy of the country.

The assaults upon the Republican party have come from its self-constituted rulers, the men in office. The President of the United States has associated with him in the practical administration of the Government a horde of men excluded by the express letter of the Constitution from any share in the Executive duties. He has col lected from the mess-rooms of his subordinate military companions mere adventurers, and farmed out to them the privilege of levying and collecting tithes from the substance of the people. The administration of the law has been disgraceful beyond precedent. Prohibited powers have been assumed, and prerogative substituted for law, and the Government has been administered as if it was instituted for the exclusive benefit of officials, and not for the benefit of the governed. So strong has been this last assumption, that the President has not hesitated to appoint notoriously corrupt and unworthy men in places of power and responsibility, to the plunder of the Treasury, and has kept them in such places notwithstanding the remonstrances of outraged public decency. So far from being abashed at the exposure of these men, he has persistently used them and other subordinates of the public service for the purpose of corrupting public judgment in his personal favor, and among the Republicans of the United States in a choice so directly presented? Shall we have Greeley or Grant?

WHAT THEY CAN DO AT PHILADELPHIA.

A Convention is to assemble at Philadelphia on the 6th of June for the purpose—not of selecting a candidate for President, according to the wants of the country and the demands of Republican sentiment for a leader and exponent of recognized ability—this task is already performed at Cincinnati. They meet as the instructed agents of certain managers—wire-pullers, stipendiaries of the central disturber of loaves and fishes—for the purpose of saying merely that those stipendiaries aforesaid would like to remain on the pay-roll another four years, and to that end are in favor of the President who now, for their personal loyalty to him, keeps them there.

Nevertheless, these people at Philadelphia will desire, besides making a nomination, to set up something resembling a platform of principles. Platforms have been the fashion hitherto, in the good old republican days of American politics, and, as the stipendiary folks are anxious to make it seem as if they and their candidate have not drifted away from American republican principles, they will doubtless desire to knock together something that looks like a platform.

The distinctive doctrines of the Republican party to-day,—or rather the Republican voters, since "the party" has come to signify only a select army of some 60,000 officeholders whose whole gospel is comprehended in their consuming desire to keep hold upon the public Treasury,—the distinctive doctrines of the Republican masses are all comprehended in the clear, unequivocal declarations of the Cincinnati platform. They are also truly represented in the candidates offered with that platform—men whose zeal, honesty, and ability no reasonable man will question. Hence the Grant party have no platform left, except what is contained in the threadbare name of their cut-and-dried candidate.

When Mr. Morton or Mr. Murphy make out his memorandum of points for a platform for the guidance of the Administration's chief resolution-writer, he will have to read somewhat like this:

Concerning the policy toward the Southern people:

Resolved, That Grant put down the Rebellion.

Concerning Local Self-Government vs. Centralization:

Resolved, That Grant was a great soldier, and his brilliant (blank) is a mistake in making out his commission) are U. S.

Concerning the Civil Service:

Resolved, That reform is demanded, shall (May be read fairly. Grant will see that we are not disturbed); also,

Resolved, That Grant's satisfactorine declaration to this reform entitles him to the suffrages, etc.

Concerning the Tariff:

Resolved, (the very old pattern, of the double-acting pattern, with a *little* leaning toward Protection); also,

Resolved, That Grant was the Hero of Shiloh, etc. (The Buell record is out of the way now.)

Concerning the financial policy of Routwell:

Resolved, That Grant is in favor of the debt at a 3 pence rate. (Some folks will be simple enough to think he does it out of his own pocket.)

Concerning the talk in the Washington Treaty, and the foreign policy generally:

Resolved, That Grant put down the Rebellion, and is a great General.

Concerning repudiation:

Resolved, That Grant—(well, anything about Grant, but keep mum about the rest of the family.)

Concerning political parties and policies:

Resolved, That we dwell with pride on the glorious record of the Republican party; also,

Resolved, That (Morton, Murphy, Cook, *et al*) are the Republican party.

Concerning the investigation of existing abuses of the Government:

Resolved, That we and Grant put down the Rebellion (with a capital R).

Concerning all other subjects:

Resolved, That we are bound to keep putting down the Rebellion until we carry the South for our candidates once more.

Thus the whole platform of the party managed by Morton, Conklin, and Murphy, is comprised in the personal merits and public record of Grant. As Grant is the *alpha* and the *omega* of their creed, let us present a miniature likeness of Grant the Administrator, as drawn in the preamble of the declaration adopted at Cincinnati; remarking that no allegation is made thereiu which has not been established by sufficient proof to justify its use:

The Administration now in power has rendered itself guilty of a wanton disregard of the laws of the land, and of many provisions expressly made by the Constitution.

It has acted as if laws had binding force only for those who are governed, and not for those who govern.

It has thus struck a blow at the fundamental principles of Constitutional Government and the liberties of the citizens.

The President of the United States has openly abused the powers and opportunities of his high office for the promotion of personal ends.

He has kept near his person as counselors unworthy men in places of power and responsibility, to the detriment of the public interest.

He has used the public service of the Government as a machinery of partisan and political influence, and interfered with technical arrogance in the political affairs of the States and municipalities.

He has rewarded with influential and lucrative offices men who had acquired his favor by notable services, thus stimulating the demoralization of our political life by his conspicuous example.

He has shown himself deplorably unequal to the task imposed upon him by the necessities of the time, and culpably careless of the responsibilities of his high office.

But "the Administration now in power" does not consist entirely of Grant, nor even of the Grant family, numerous as that is. It embraces certain unscrupulous politicians of the Morton and Murphy stamp, whose rapacity, and whose low and absolute notions of political ethics, have contributed greatly to debase the tone of the existing Administration. They are also photographed, very accurately as we think, in the Cincinnati document. Here they are, and "by their deeds ye shall know them," rather than by their empty declarations:

The partisans of the Administration, assuming to be the Republican party, and to control its organization, have attempted to justify such wrongs and palliate such abuses. To the end of obtaining a pliant instrument, they have not stood in the way of necessary investigations and indispensable reform, alleging that no serious fault could be found with the conduct or character of public affairs,—thus seeking to blind the eyes of the people.

They have kept alive the passions and resentments of the late civil war, to use them for their own advantage.

They have resorted to arbitrary measures in direct conflict with the organic law, instead of appealing to the better instincts, talent, and patriotism of the people, and have given to them those rights the enjoyment of which is indispensable for a successful administration of public affairs, and which constitute the strength of a patriotic and hopeful national feeling.

They have degraded themselves and the name of their party in the estimation of the best men of the nation by a base sycophancy to the dispenser of Executive power and patronage, unworthy of Republican freemen.

They have sought to silence the voice of justice and calm, to stifle the moral sense of the people, and to subjugate public opinion by tyrannical party discipline.

They are striving to maintain themselves in authority for selfish ends, by unscrupulous use of the power which they possess in the form of the people, and should be employed only in the service of the country.

And the voters of the Republic are invited to consider these accusations carefully and weigh their worth in the balance of a candid judgment.

The affair at Philadelphia is a personal affair chiefly, and the kind of persons in whose behalf it is arranged is as above indicated. The job at Philadelphia is to defend the Administration against this fearful array of proven accusations; and it will be found a bigger job than the contractors can perform.

THE METHODIST BOOK-CONCERN.

The disposition of the scandal attaching to the management of the Methodist Book-Concern, by the Methodist Conference, now in session in New York, is remarkable, to say the least, and will go far toward confirming the very general suspicion that there is something "rotten in Denmark." At the session on Friday last, a resolution was offered calling for the appointment of one minister and one layman from each book-district, to take special cognizance of alleged frauds in the management of the Concern. After considerable debate this resolution was tabled. A motion was then made to reconsider, and on this motion another and still more excited debate arose, which finally resulted in the indefinite postponement of the matter, or, in plain English, the Conference refused to appoint a Committee of Investigation.

The troubles of the Methodist Church, growing out of this Concern, seem to be overwhelming, and they will continue to be so, until some definite investigation of the alleged mismanagement is made, which shall finally and forever set at rest all the charges which have been brought against the institution. The action of the Conference on Friday settles nothing, but remands the question to its original form. The investigations which have been made hitherto have been perfectly unsatisfactory. The majority reports have been invalidated each time by the strong and decided character of the minority reports, and the question, being open, has had to be investigated once again. Of course, the Methodists of the country will not remain satisfied with this attempt to shelve a scandal which has grown into such magnitude. It has now exceeded the limits of the Methodist denomination, and has been criticised freely by all denominations, and there is a general sentiment, not only among Methodists, but also among the members of all other sects that the Committees have been packed, and that there is a general determination to cover up frauds. The sudden withdrawal of two of the implicated parties, Hoffman, the manager of the bindery, and Goodenough, the Purchasing Agent, and their engagement in other business pursuits, add to the weight of testimony. Again, Dr. Lanahan, who instituted the charges against Dr. Carlton, the Manager of the Concern, is evidently not a man to be silenced aside with impunity. The Methodist Book-Concern will have no peace until it is made clear beyond the shadow of a controversy that the affairs of the Concern have been administered properly. It does not lessen the difficulties with which the question is hedged that the Carlton faction for four years past have denounced Dr. Lanahan as a scandalous agitator; that an ecclesiastical court has suspended him from his ministerial functions, and that they have threatened him with proceedings in a civil court. Under each fresh persecution, the Doctor has come up smiling, and more determined and aggressive than ever, and stands ready to make good his charges, whenever he can have fair play. His proposition to the Conference, to appoint a Committee to investigate the subject and settle it finally and forever, was an eminently proper one, and should have been adopted at once. To this end it has got to come at last, or the harmony of the Church will be disturbed as long as the question remains in its present unsettled condition. The fault hitherto has been, that these Committees of Investigation have been composed of partisans. The Committee should be composed of disinterested men outside that denomination, and the books of the Concern should be placed in the hands of experts. It is a very simple thing to determine. Either the books show the fraud, or they do not. Either Dr. Carlton has been guilty of mismanagement, or he has not, and a Committee of half-a-dozen disinterested business men, with a dexterous expert to aid them, could determine both these questions in a very short time. The Conference would have done more wisely to have instituted such an investigation than to stifle investigation entirely, and attempt to punish Dr. Lanahan by official degradation and calumniating reports,—the very surest method of provoking sympathy for him. An investigation of this sort would soon determine which of the two Doctors is entitled to punishment—Dr. Carlton for mismanagement, or Dr. Lanahan for making charges of mismanagement without foundation. The action of the Conference only temporarily heals the wound. The sore is still there, and it will break out again, unless some effectual remedy is applied. If that remedy is not applied, there is danger that the whole body may become infected.

THE OGDEN SLIP.

It is refreshing to know that the real cause of the filthiness of the Ogden Slip has been discovered at last. It is gratifying to know that the hard ground opposite the mouth of the sewer which empties into this Slip is covered with putrid organic matter to the depth of one or two feet. It is pleasant to know that on the west side of the Slip the filth is contributed from a slaughter-house, and that the street sewers are innocent in the matter. It is important to know that the Board of Public Works have decided that they have nothing to do with the matter. On all these points, knowledge is undoubtedly gratifying, but it would be more gratifying to know that there was a probability of removing the filth. Every one was aware that the Ogden Slip was a filthy nuisance. Probably every one was aware what caused it, and there is a slight degree of comfort in having individual opinion confirmed by official reports. But that does not remove the filth. The Slip smells just as badly, and its capacities for manufacturing cholera, this summer, are just as extensive as ever. The fact that the Board of Public Works have discovered the cause, and reported upon it, has about as much effect in abating the nuisance as the Pope's bull had in abating the comet. The two premises are given very clearly, but what is to be the result? As the Board of Public Works have decided they have nothing to do with the matter, it is not likely that any other persons will claim precedence of the Board in attending to it, or assume any responsibilities which the Board is not willing to assume. As a report never yet cleaned a sewer, and as the Board seems to have been appointed principally to make reports, we may presume that the report on the Ogden Slip will be properly tied up and labelled and placed in the archives, and that the Slip will keep on stinking. As a solution of the question how not to do it, the investigation has been a very successful one. As a solution of the question how to do it, however, it amounts to nothing. It would be a public blessing if the writing of long-winded reports could be made liable to punishment by statutory enactment, and practical men with sufficient energy and vim to go ahead and act, of make others act, would be justified in so doing. Unless some such law can be enforced in the Public Boards, a man who cannot make a report is a desideratum, and in some spasm of public indignation, when the Ogden Slip and other public nuisances have become pestilence-breeders, we shall get some such man. Of the future danger of Ogden Slip there is no doubt. The only immediate danger now arising from it is that the Board of Health may visit it and come back and make a report also, showing conclusively that there is a smell there, and that the smell is favorable to cholera, cerebro-spinal meningitis, and cholera morbus, but that they have nothing to do with it.

FRAZI Abt, the eminent German song-writer, arrived in New York on Saturday, and was welcomed and serenaded by the German singing societies. It is gratifying to know that the Germans of Chicago are not getting cold, during his stay in this country. He will be heartily welcomed here by all classes, for there is scarcely a home in this city, where music is known at all, that his songs do not hold a favorite place. Voluminous as they have been, they invariably go to the popular heart, and at the same time are not ephemeral. One song of his ("When the Swallows Homeward Fly") alone would have made a lasting reputation for any writer. Both the American and German residents of this city will unite in giving him a cordial welcome, and extending to him the heartiest of hospitalities and good cheer so richly deserved by a man who has given so much of comfort and genuine pleasure to thousands who have heretofore known him only by name.

Ramaine and Wimpton, who have been charged with unsolidierlike conduct, have demanded an instant investigation into their conduct. Clayton, of Arkansas, Robertson, of South Carolina, Pomeroy and Caldwell, of Kansas, who have been charged with corruption, have by no means demanded an instant investigation into their conduct. On the contrary, each and every one of this distinguished quartette has carefully avoided an investigation. They only sheltered themselves behind the Constitution, which guarantees to every one accused of crime the right to a fair trial before a jury of his peers. Why should not Ramaine and Wimpton have the benefit of the same Constitution?

It is an old argument with the tender-hearted beings who shrink from hanging a murderous brute, that life-long imprisonment is far more terrifying than death on the scaffold, and will, therefore, be far more effectual than the latter as a preventive of crime. This theory has been overthrown, for the thousandth time, by ocular proof of Gregory's right to be allowed to escape death at the price of imprisonment for life. It is always so, despite the imagined gloom of days and nights of cheerless confinement, ninety-nine out of a hundred would rather suffer a thousand years in prison than the danger of erring on the side of severity. A dozen men might be hanged in Chicago, without our doing more than balancing the account of our weak mercy heretofore.

A few weeks since, some Californian propounded the theory that earthquakes were caused by the meeting of two currents of electricity, one in the clouds and the other on the surface of the earth. This idea is now eclipsed by another. According to scientific man No. two, the mineral belts which form the Sierra Nevada ridges are responsible for all our Western earthquakings. The iron contained in these colleges carries the dry season, a vast amount of electricity, which finally bursts forth with overwhelming force. The scientific thinker proposes to sink iron rods down to the mineral belts, and so tap the vast poles of electricity.

POLITICAL.

The Nominations at Cincinnati.

Comments of the Press upon the Results of the Convention.

Resolutions of the Reunion and Reform Gathering.

The Political Outlook.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: To a Republican whose sympathies have been with the Liberal movement inaugurated in Missouri, and accepted by the best men of the country as offering at least a hope of political reform, despaired of in other quarters, the nomination of the Hon. Horace Greeley, upon a platform clearly and distinctly enunciating, with a single exception, all of the measures of Reform which have been the life and growth of the movement, seems eminently fitted to command success. It is unnecessary to say that he was not the first choice of the Illinois Liberals of either party. The fact that distinguished statesmen of our own State were prominent candidates, coupled with our local pride, made the Illinois delegates, but Illinois people, pronounced in their choice of one or the other of their own citizens. But that this was a partisan, and not a patriotic choice, which would be satisfied with nothing less than a personal triumph, no one of them would be found to admit. They therefore accept, not only with cheerfulness, but with positive enthusiasm, the candidate whom the majority, but doubtfully, but with astonishing unanimity, have presented.

That the nomination, while unexpected in this quarter, was the clearly-expressed determination and choice of a surprising majority in the Convention, after personal compliments had been tendered to other candidates, no one can deny. That this choice was influenced or controlled by trickery or fraud, no one, not living in a political atmosphere corrupted by such practices, will be disposed to believe. If, then, there was no fraud,—and the character of the movement and of the candidate precludes any such probability,—we should indeed be blind if we failed to see, in his enthusiastic majority in the Convention, an emphatic indication of his strength before the people.

And to such a Republican there is nothing at all surprising or incongruous in this nomination. Up to this hour Mr. Greeley has been accepted by all the *friends*, real and pretended, of this movement, as one of its foremost leaders and helpers. His determined advocacy of the various measures of reform contemplated has been relied upon by all as a sufficient guarantee that he would not be recreant to doubtful of success. He was one of the very earliest candidates mentioned by the people for the head of this ticket; and if any reason was unprepared for the result, it is only because we have not successfully noted the current in popular thought in other parts of the country than our own.

For these, and other reasons which time and the progress of events will make more apparent, this confidence in the coming struggle, the Liberal Republicans, with almost complete unanimity and enthusiasm, accept Mr Greeley as their standard-bearer, and, with consistent devotion to the principle whose triumph they are seeking to achieve, call upon the people, as before, to rally under their banner.

But, while this is the attitude of the Liberal Republicans, what shall be said of the attitude of the Democracy? Will they accept the nomination? Will they nominate a ticket of their own? Will they put a straight Democratic ticket in the field? Will they indorse the Cincinnati platform, and support the nominees of the Convention? These questions are the ones which are now being discussed by the Democratic press and politicians, and which will be answered in the course of the next few days. The Democratic party is now in a position of peculiar embarrassment. Its leaders have been completely overthrown in the Cincinnati Convention, and the party is now confronted with the alternative of either accepting the nominations made by the Liberal Republicans, or of nominating a ticket of their own. The former course would be a virtual surrender of the party to the Liberal Republicans, and would be followed by the disintegration of the Democratic party. The latter course would be equally disastrous, for it would be a confession of weakness, and would be followed by the defection of a large number of the leaders in the Democratic party, and a consequent weakening of the party. Between these two alternatives the Democracy are now hesitating, and the indications are that they will accept the nominations made by the Liberal Republicans. Such a course would be the most politic one for the Democracy to pursue, and would be followed by the most beneficial results to the party. It would be a virtual surrender of the party to the Liberal Republicans, but it would be a surrender which

WESTERN IOWA.

Council Bluffs---Picturesque Scenery---Old Council Bluffs.

Transportation---The River Ban-ks---Steamboating---Business---Prosperity.

Favorite Mormons---A Religion of Every Country---The Mormon Battalion---Its March to California.

Awful Storm---Prairie-Fires ---New Paper-Mill--- Pilgrims.

From Our Own Correspondent.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, May 1.

A town strung along the course of a winding, with all its windings and turnings, though by no means uncommon in a mining region, where every man has his stake, and says, This is my claim, and provided he does not encroach on his neighbor's rights, is able to hold the same in the Western States, where land is the object, and not mining-claims, every inch is laid out by the surveyor's compass with strict mathematical nicety, and lines and correct angles abound on every hand. It is, therefore, refreshing to the eye of the peasant and well-built city in the Valley, which is not cramped by the rule of straight lines, but has sinuous streets, pleasant curves and picturesque belong-

WHY IS THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS?

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MAN, WIFE, AND CHILD.

Disgraceful Squabble between Parents for the Custody of an Infant.

Exposure of one of Prof. Buchanan's "Graduates"...How Quackery is Practiced.

Judge Tree Decides that the Child Shall Remain With its Mother.

Some two weeks since Edward S. Franks sued out a writ or *habeas corpus* in the Circuit Court, directed to his wife, Caroline N. Franks, the object of which was to obtain possession of a child, Viola E. Franks, aged 5 years. In his petition, Franks stated, under oath, that the respondent was his wife; that the child was his; that the mother had absconded from their abode at Milwaukee, kidnapping the child; that she was not a proper person to support the infant; that he, the father, was her lawful guardian, a man of substance, able, and willing to surely all her allowance.

Mrs. Franks, by her return, admitted the marriage, the birth of the child, its age, and the fact that she was an inebriate; the custodian of the infant, and tendered the fact that the husband and father was a traveling quack, a habitual drunkard, etc. Thus she threw upon the father the burden of proving that he was a person fit to receive the charge of a child of infant years. The case went over for two weeks.

On Saturday the case came on to be heard before Judge Tree, and occupied all the day.

The testimony constituted a printed mass, almost totally unfit for publication. On the part of the wife, it appeared that the parties were married, she being a second wife, in New York, on the 9th day of December, 1863; thence they went to Boston, where, after living six years, they commenced traveling, in the character of Professor and Doctoress, and so engaged, as his *avant courier*, a woman, Ellen, or Helen, sometimes known as Josephine Cairns, who had a husband from whom Mrs. Franks supposed, upon the strength of a lawyer's letter, she had been divorced. She generally preceded the party to arrange the announcement business, procure halls for lecturing, etc. Franks, although he had not studied at any college or medical school, purchased of one Professor Pfaffinder, of Philadelphia, several diplomas of the Eclectic Medical College of Philadelphia, and was constituted, as a complement for the activity of his wife, such diplomas, LL. D. of the Eclectic University through the same agency. To enable his wife to practice as a doctress, Franks procured from some of his own bogus sheepskins the initials and inserted hers. At last the family found itself at Milwaukee, where Franks registered with the Board of Health as a graduate of a respectable Medical College of Pennsylvania. During the spring time he practiced in mysterious ways, as inquiry was put on foot which exploded that statement, and ceased his practice in public, while quacking and resorted in his lighting-rod to Milwaukee. At the latter city he set up with the woman Carnes, or Helen, whom he represented as his wife, and the optical delusion line, advertising special cures for special diseases. In and at the sale of his spectacles he used letters pretending to be written by the late Abraham Lincoln, the estimable, Millard Fillmore, and other notables. It also appeared that a daughter by the first wife of the Doctor went to live by the act of the Doctor and to the care of the mother, and this same woman was the person he brought to his home to care for his infant, and it was her husband, a very worthless fellow, who, when he was a frequent drinker, considerably given to the use of abusive language, and a victim of jealousy, had the audacity to order the wife forbidden his wife to receive male visitors, receiving in the professional tours in consequence of all events from Mrs. Cairns, who is also accused of being no better than she should be, to which she politely answered that if Franks was not expected to be home and Cairns (the wife) would be found enough to tell him of it.

On the other side, the Lt. D. and his partner, Mrs. Cairns, testified that Franks was a drunkard, and no better than she should be, that was. She child he was contending for was not his, a fact which he denied, for he had written to the doctor to be supposed to be its father, describing the child, to know whether it had any physiological reasons to prevent under which he could claim the infant, or show that he (Franks) was not its father. And the Doctor had only returned him an insulting letter.

It further appeared that the Doctor owned no property except the stock in trade of the medicine store, and that he subsequently sold this establishment to one to Mrs. Cairns.

The Court, Judge Tree, rendered the controversy by the following decision:

This is a question of fact, as it seems to me. I understand the wonderful power of attorney in the hands of that the father has a paramount right to the custody of the child until its maturity, unless circumstances shall be shown which render it improper to apply that rule; that, in other words, subject to the exception mentioned, he has the paramount right. The Court looks in every instance to the best interests of the child, having regard to its moral habits, and ability of the parent to provide for the child. If the Court finds these bad, it will discard the child for the father, and give the custody to the mother. In this case I do not propose to review the evidence. It seems to me it would be an unnecessary pain to these parties. It is sufficient for me to say that my mind is brought to the conviction, from all the evidence, that the case is one in which I would not be justified in taking this child from the mother, and consigning it to the custody of its father. The child, in fact, is a girl of very tender years, (four scarcely years of age,) of peculiar nervous temperament, fondly attached to its mother, as everybody has a right to be, and to whom it looks for affection in court, and she, at least, has equal ability with the father to maintain the child. I think the child is as great many years younger than he; she has a trade, and is at this time in actual employment, and, according to the evidence, has been for a period of industry much in demand, while she also has several children to support. I do not doubt a good livelihood. I shall leave the child with her mother, where she will at least be well off as with her father, and I am induced to the opinion she will be more contented and happy. I think she will be better provided for than she would with the father. It is not necessary to review the evidence for the purpose of showing how I arrive at this conclusion. I think any other course than the one I pursue may must have been contest that this is the only proper course to pursue. I shall, therefore, not require the child from this jurisdiction, in the sum of $1,000; condition of further that the father may have access to the child at all reasonable times.

ANTI-RAILROAD.

The Chicago & LaSalle Road Denounced at a Citizens' Meeting.

A meeting of property owners on Robeson and the streets through which the Chicago & LaSalle Railroad Company ask the right of way to come into the city was held on Saturday evening. The attendance was not very large. Ald. Bailey was called to the chair, and stated the whereabouts of the ordinance submitted to the Council. It had been referred to the Clerk for engrossing, and would come up again. He desired to know what the property owners thought about the amendment to the eighth section, making it obligatory on the Company to pay damage to the resident land owners only. He believed the railroad to be a benefit to the city. It was the best thing he understood, to have the road run the track beyond Riverside.

Mr. Hayes said it was a great wrong to run a railroad on Robeson. It was an oppression, and should be resisted by every peaceful means. The idea of a poor man seeking the aid of the Common Council, and that body taking the side of McDermott, or whatever her name may be, in the official delusion line, advertising special cures for special diseases, and in the sale of his spectacles he used letters pretending to be written by the late Abraham Lincoln, the estimable, Millard Fillmore, and other notables. It also appeared that a daughter by the first wife of the Doctor went to live by the act of the Doctor and to the care of the mother, and this same woman was the person he brought to his home to care for his infant, and it was her husband, a very worthless fellow, who, when he was a frequent drinker, considerably given to the use of abusive language, and a victim of jealousy, had the audacity to order the wife forbidden his wife to receive male visitors, receiving in the professional tours in consequence of all events from Mrs. Cairns, who is also accused of being no better than she should be, to which she politely answered that if Franks was not expected to be home and Cairns (the wife) would be found enough to tell him of it.

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This is a question of fact, as it seems to me. I understand the wonderful power of attorney in the hands of that the father has a paramount right to the custody of the child until its maturity, unless circumstances shall be shown which render it improper to apply that rule; that, in other words, subject to the exception mentioned, he has the paramount right. The Court looks in every instance to the best interests of the child, having regard to its moral habits, and ability of the parent to provide for the child. If the Court finds these bad, it will discard the child for the father, and give the custody to the mother. In this case I do not propose to review the evidence. It seems to me it would be an unnecessary pain to these parties. It is sufficient for me to say that my mind is brought to the conviction, from all the evidence, that the case is one in which I would not be justified in taking this child from the mother, and consigning it to the custody of its father. The child, in fact, is a girl of very tender years, (four scarcely years of age,) of peculiar nervous temperament, fondly attached to its mother, as everybody has a right to be, and to whom it looks for affection in court, and she, at least, has equal ability with the father to maintain the child. I think the child is as great many years younger than he; she has a trade, and is at this time in actual employment, and, according to the evidence, has been for a period of industry much in demand, while she also has several children to support. I do not doubt a good livelihood. I shall leave the child with her mother, where she will at least be as